

FAIR HAVEN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA for January 20, 2021 at 7:30 pm via Zoom

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1. Call to Order 7:35pm
2. Sunshine Law Notice read by Brian.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, PUBLIC MEETINGS MAY BE HELD IN PERSON OR BY MEANS OF COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT TO INCLUDE STREAMING SERVICES AND OTHER ONLINE MEETING PLATFORMS (NJSA 10:4-8(b)).

DUE TO THE COVID-19 SITUATION, THE BOROUGH OF FAIR HAVEN'S MUNICIPAL FACILITIES ARE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC. THIS MEETING IS BEING PRESENTED THROUGH THE ZOOM MEETING PLATFORM AND BEING BROADCAST FROM BOROUGH HALL, 748 RIVER ROAD, FAIR HAVEN, NJ. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR THIS ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING OF JANUARY 20, 2021 IS AVAILABLE BY CALL IN PHONE NUMBER OR THROUGH WEB CONFERENCE (ZOOM). MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE ON MUTE UNTIL THE PORTION FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS, WHICH WILL BE ANNOUNCED. AT THAT TIME THE PUBLIC HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO QUESTION/COMMENT BY PHONE OR THROUGH ZOOM BY THE "RAISE HAND" BUTTON AND WILL BE CALLED ON AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS INCLUDED IN A SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS SENT TO THE ASBURY PARK PRESS, THE TWO RIVER TIMES, THE HUB AND THE STAR LEDGER ON JANUARY 30, 2020 POSTED ON THE BOROUGH WEBSITE, THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND HAS REMAINED CONTINUOUSLY POSTED AS REQUIRED UNDER THE STATUTE.

WITH ADEQUATE NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN, THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION SECRETARY IS DIRECTED TO INCLUDE THIS STATEMENT IN THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING.

3. Roll Call: Ralph Wyndrum, Jessie Murray, Brian Rice, Patrick Keeler, Gary Patterson, Jonathan Peters, Kelly Flanagan, Greg Wright, Sarah Bayer, Councilwoman Laine Neff
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Election of
Chair – Ralph (Nomination by Brian, 2nd by Jonathan), all agree
Vice Chair – Brian (Nomination by Jonathan, 2nd by Jessie), all agree
Recording Secretary – Jessie (Nomination by Brian, 2nd Jonathan), all agree
Note with last minute agenda, Friday before meeting. New items can be under new business.
6. Approval of December 2020 Meeting Minutes – no comments. All approve.
7. Current Business
 - A. Sustainable New Jersey Project / Green Team (Kelly) – Held first Green Team meeting of the year last week. Working on bronze recertification, draft by mid-March, final due in June. Recertification will include some new items like installation of water stations, reusable bag project, and plastic bag ban. Working on compost project - reaching out to FH garden club, Monmouth County garden club, and Rutgers, working on some virtual meetings. Working on a waste reduction campaign – including town wide cleanup in spring. Working on art campaign and would also like to focus on recycling.

Laline would like to request 2021 budget for the EC/Green Team. Jon/Brian to put amount together so Laline can present to Council.

- B. LED street lights (Ralph) JCP&L said tariff removed which would not allow for the free 12 LED lights. Waiting to hear back from JCP&L to confirm. Jon to work with Ralph and Teresa to coordinate efforts.
- C. Navesink River / Stormwater (Brian) Got some recent data from upstream Tinton Falls/Colts Neck. Brian working with Colts Neck EC – have pinpointed horse farms which are near hotspots. Working on campaign on how to get in touch with horse farms and creating best management practices (BMPs). Middletown doing the same. Red Bank passing some referendums to put more money into infrastructure, to continue to work on stormwater and sewer management. Red Bank will be doing sampling and sending to independent lab.
- D. Town Recycling (Laline/Gary/Sarah) – Cancelled tour of Mazza due to COVID. Ralph will reschedule a virtual meeting. In person meeting to see facility once safe to do so. Kelly and Gary to attend as well as some Green Team members.
- E. Brush Grinding Operations (Jonathan) – Survey finalized – Jon will provide update after Feb 1st.

8. New Business

- A. Watershed Institutes Model Ordinance – NJDEP provided minimum stormwater guidelines for all towns to adopt through town ordinance. Clean Ocean Action circulated a white paper with some additional BMPs to consider adding to the ordinance to make more stringent. Draft ordinance in review. EC has opportunity to request additional BMPs. Requesting the EC to review the more stringent BMPs to choose top priorities to request be added to the ordinance. Bria to accept and organize comments and will provide to Nick. New stormwater ordinance must be done by the end of March.
- B. Solar (Kelly) – Green Team would like to submit proposal for solar consideration for new DPW/Police building. Also forwarded to facilities committee. Solar not directly in the plans but would like to incorporate in design stage. There is funding with SJ to use solar. Kelly to research other towns that have included solar. EC to review proposal and provide comments back to Kelly before finalizing to Ralph and then to the Council.

9. Council Update (Laline) – Grant status for McCarter pond – no updates. No other updates.

10. Public Comments Susan Obrien, T. Russoniello. No comments.

11. Adjournment. 8:45pm

Next Meeting February 17 @ 7:30pm.